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JEFFERSON, NH

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR	Paul F. Donovan
SELECTMEN	Carroll E. Ingerson, Chairperson Bruce Hicks Norman Brown
TREASURER	Wendy Wells
TAX COLLECTOR	Mary L. Gross
TOWN CLERK	Opal L. Bronson
AUDITOR	Crane & Bell
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	Donald Noyes Cheryl Meehan Jane Holmes
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	Jeffrey Wiseman, Director
PLANNING BOARD	Michael Meehan, Chairman
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS	Kim Perry, Chairman
FIRE CHIEF	Chris Milligan
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS	Jason Call Alden Holmes Rupert Corrigan
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	Meg Costa Darcie Call Deborah Dubois
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	David Govatski, Chairman

WARRANT
2008 TOWN MEETING

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM NOON TO 8:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Jefferson in the County of Coos in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town of Jefferson on Tuesday, the Eleventh day of March next, at 7:30 of the clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year**

ARTICLE 2: To see what action the Town will take on the following:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the 2008 Amendment to the Town Land Use Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board to the adoption of a Wind Energy Ordinance and to change Article III Section 2 Permitted Uses by Special Exception of the Land Use Ordinance to include "wind energy systems and facilities". (Entire ordinance can be read on page 6)**

****ARTICLES 1 & 2 TO BE VOTED ON BY OFFICIAL BALLOT WHILE THE POLLS ARE OPEN.**

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. That sum being $549,230. Selectmen recommend.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $90,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds as listed. Selectmen recommend.

$10,000 Dump Closure CRF
$30,000 Highway Vehicle CRF
$20,000 Rt. 115B Reconstruction CRF
$10,000 Fire Truck CRF
$10,000 Building CRF
$10,000 Highway Maintenance & Repair CRF

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $5,700 for the purpose of engineering work for the Conservation Commission. This appropriation to come from the fund balance (surplus) these funds were received as grants from NH Charitable Foundation and CT River Commission in 2007. **NO** funds to be raised by taxation. Selectmen recommend.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $42,500 to be added to the Expendable Trust Funds as listed. Selectmen recommend.

$25,000 Town Library Fund
$10,000 Cemetery Maintenance Fund
$7,500 Athletic Association Fund

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $125,000 for the purchase of a new Highway Truck, Body and Plow and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw $125,000 from the Highway Vehicle CRF for this purchase. Selectmen recommend.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $27,000 for the purpose of Town Hall and Garage maintenance and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw $27,000 from the Building CRF for this purpose. Selectmen recommend.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000 for the purpose of road maintenance of Israel River Road Route 115B and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw $30,000 from the Route115B Maintenance CRF for this purpose. Selectmen recommend.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to increase the size of the Jefferson Library Board of Trustees from three trustees to five trustees. (RSA 669:16 and 669:75) Such trustees shall serve staggered 3-year terms or until their successors are elected and qualified (RSA A:6) (by request of the current Library Trustees).

ARTICLE 11: We are petitioning to see if the Town will vote to accept Crystal Avenue, so-called as a public way, said road running off Route 2, Presidential Highway. It is shown as, subdivision plan entitled "Major Subdivision for Crystal Leigh Savage, NH, Route 2, Jefferson, NH" surveyed by Colin F. Sutherland in February 2002. Approved by the Town of Jefferson Planning Board on June 20, 2002. Said Plan recorded in the Coos County Registry of Deeds Book 974, Page 584 as Plan File #1824. The Owners, listed below, of the underlying land submit this petition. Lot 3-A Richard Brendle, Lot 3-B Richard & Karen Malasky, Lot 3-C Michael & Marilyn Malasky, Lot 3-D Lewis & Cyndy Grover, Lot 3-E Dennis & Janice McKenna, Lot 3-F (Allan (Jr.) & Lisa Scholtz, Lot 3-G Robert & Amanda Sullivan, Lot 3-H Gilbert & Cheryl Finch, Lot 3-I Timothy & Patricia Ash. By petition.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of such property of the Town as the Selectmen in their sole discretion deem equitable, just and subject to existing laws.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes in accordance to RSA 80:52-a.

ARTICLE 14: To transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this Eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand-Eight.

A True Copy: ATTEST

CARROLL E. INGERSON
BRUCE HICKS
NORMAN BROWN

Board of Selectmen
Town of Jefferson, NH

ARTICLE III
PERMITTED USES
(adopted 1993)

SECTION 2. PERMITTED USES BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION. The following additional uses may be permitted by the Board of Adjustment (see Art. VII) and shall be considered as Special Exceptions:

> Motels, hotels, tourist accommodations and lodging units, nursery schools, clinics, hospitals, nursing homes, rest homes, public utility buildings, retail and wholesale stores, parks and recreation areas, cemeteries, greenhouses, private clubs, golf courses, riding stables, restaurants, sawmills, camps, home based businesses and small businesses, telecommunications equipment and facilities, **wind energy systems and facilities**. (Hotel, motel, tourist accommodations and lodging unit shall be defined in the strictest sense and shall not be considered in the context of condominium conversion.) (amended 1991:3/1999)

PROPOSED FOR 2008:

ARTICLE XI
WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS

SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION.

A. **Authority.** This Article is adopted pursuant to authority conferred by NH RSA 674:16.
B. **Purpose.** The purpose of the Article is to preserve and protect the public health, safety, welfare and the natural resources of the citizens of Jefferson.
C. **Scope.** This Article establishes minimum requirements for small wind energy systems and commercial wind energy systems as defined herein.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

A. **Total Height** means the distance measured from ground level to the blade extended at its highest point.
B. **Small Wind Energy System** means a wind energy conversion system consisting of a wind turbine, a tower and associated control or conversion electronics which will be used primarily to reduce on-site consumption of utility power. A small wind energy system shall not exceed a rated capacity of 30 kW.
C. **Windmill Rotor** means that portion of the windmill which includes the blades, hub and shaft.
D. **Windmill Tower** means the supporting structure on which the rotor, turbine and accessory equipment are mounted.
E. **Commercial Wind Energy System** means a wind energy conversion system consisting of one or more turbine(s), tower(s) and transmission system(s), and a wind energy conversion system which will be used primarily for off-site consumption of power or a wind energy system in excess of 30 kW.

F. **Wind Measuring Tower** means any tower or other installation used for the measurement of wind characteristics having a height beyond the limit permitted by the zoning ordinance (currently 30 feet).

G. **Recreation Area** means any outdoor area set aside or normally used by abutters or the public for non-motorized recreation including, but not limited to: playgrounds, hiking trails, parks, or picnic areas.

SECTION 3. APPLICABILITY.

A. The requirements of this Article shall apply to all small wind energy systems and commercial wind energy systems proposed after the effective date of this Article. Wind energy systems for which a required permit has been properly issued prior to the effective date of this Article shall not be required to meet the requirements of this Article; provided, however, that any such permittee must have made significant investment in the ground within 12 months of the issue date of the permit. Any system that has been installed but not used for nine months may not be subsequently used without meeting the requirements of this Article. No preexisting system shall be altered in any manner that would increase the degree of nonconformity with the requirements of this Article and no alterations shall be made to a non-conforming preexisting system during its life which exceeds 50% of its fair market value. If such system is destroyed or damaged to the extent of more than 50% of its fair market value at the time of destruction or damage, it shall not be reconstructed except in conformity with this Article.

B. No wind measuring tower may be installed, nor a building permit issued for such a tower, without first obtaining a variance for the tower to exceed the structural height limitations of the zoning ordinance.

SECTION 4. SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS.

A. **Permitted Locations.** A small wind energy system is permitted by special exception within the town of Jefferson, in accordance with the requirements of this ordinance. The Zoning Board of Adjustment may, after public hearing, impose reasonable restrictions upon the location, size, installation, access, operation, decommissioning, and inter-connection of a small wind energy system which are more restrictive than the following general requirements as may be necessary for the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens.

B. **Minimum Lot Size.** No wind energy system shall be erected on any lot less than two acres in size.

C. **Total Height.** Total height for any small energy system shall not exceed 70 feet.

D. **Setbacks.** A small wind energy system, including guy wire anchors if needed, shall be set back from the nearest structure, building, property line, public road right of way, and communication and electrical line not less than 1.5 times its total height.

E. **Location.** No small wind energy system shall be located on any lot in a way that would significantly affect or interfere with the view from an abutting lot.

F. **Design Standards.** The design of the small wind energy system shall be of a monopole or freestanding design. The minimum height of the lowest extent of a turbine blade shall be 30 feet above the ground. Any wind energy system shall, as a minimum, comply with the applicable state and federal design standards for such systems.

G. **Access.** No tower shall have a climbing apparatus within 12 feet of the ground. All access doors or access ways to towers and electrical equipment shall be lockable.

H. **Noise.** No wind energy system shall exceed 30 dB as measured at any point on the perimeter of the property line.

I. **Visual Appearance.** Any wind energy systems shall be finished in a rust-resistant, non-obtrusive finish and color that is non-reflective. No wind energy system shall be lighted unless required by the FAA. No advertising signs of any kind or nature whatsoever shall be permitted on any wind energy system, but one specific sign, no greater than 4 square feet; with the name and number for emergency contact 24/7 shall be posted at each tower.

J. **Electrical Interconnections.** All electrical interconnection or distribution lines shall be underground and comply with all applicable codes and public utility requirements.

K. **Signal Interference.** Efforts shall be made to site wind energy systems to reduce the likelihood of blocking or reflecting television and other communication signals. If signal interference occurs, both the wind energy system owner and individual receiving interference shall make reasonable efforts to resolve the problem. No wind energy system shall cause permanent and material interference with television or other communication signals.

L. **Over-Speed Controls.** Every wind energy system shall be equipped with both manual and automatic over-speed controls.

M. **Permit Applications.** Application for a wind energy system shall include the following information:

1. **Site Plan** to scale showing the location of the proposed wind energy system and the locations of all existing/proposed buildings, structures, electrical/telephone lines and property lines along with distances.
2. **Elevations** of the site to scale showing the height, design and configuration of the wind energy system and the height and distance to all existing structures, buildings, electrical lines and property lines.
3. **Standard drawings** and an engineering analysis of the systems tower including weight capacity.
4. **A standard foundation** and anchor design along with soil conditions and specifications for the soil conditions at the site.
5. **Specific information** on the type, size, rotor material, rated power output, performance, safety and noise characteristics of the system including the model and the name and address of the manufacturer.
6. **Emergency and normal shutdown procedures,** including, but not limited to, issues dealing with hazardous waste and spill control, fire and other emergency situations.

7. **A line drawing** of the electrical components of the system in sufficient detail to establish that the installation conforms to all applicable electrical codes.
8. **Evidence** that the provider of electrical service of the property has been notified of the intent to install an interconnected electricity generator unless the system will not be connected to the electricity grid.
9. **Compliance** with a Wind Energy Checklist that is to be drafted by the Planning Board.

SECTION 5. COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS.

A. **Permissible Locations.** A commercial wind energy system may be permitted as a special exception. The Zoning Board of Adjustment may, after public hearing, impose reasonable restrictions upon the location, size, installation, access, operation, decommissioning, and inter-connection of a commercial wind energy system which are more restrictive than the following general requirements as may be necessary for the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens. Any application for a commercial wind energy system in a location which is, or will be, visible from an adjacent town in New Hampshire shall be deemed to have "potential regional impact." The regional planning commission and the affected municipalities shall then have the status of abutters as defined in RSA 672:3 for the limited purpose of providing notice and giving testimony, as required by RSA 36:57.

B. **Minimum Parcel Size.** No commercial wind energy system shall be erected on any parcel less than 50 acres in size.

C. **Total Height.** The total height of a commercial wind energy system shall not exceed 150 feet.

D. **Setbacks.** A commercial wind energy system shall be set back from the nearest property line and public road right-of-way not less than 500 feet. No commercial wind energy system shall be located within 1320 feet of a platted subdivision, park, church, school, and playground or recreation area as defined.

E. **Design Standards.** A commercial wind energy system shall comply with the design standards set forth in Section 4, Paragraphs F through L. In addition to those standards, the applicant should submit evidence of a positive recommendation by the Conservation Commission according to the Commission's Wind Power Guidelines including, but not limited to: impact upon wildlife habitat, natural aesthetics, soil and water impacts, and other criteria the Commission deems appropriate.

F. **Permit Applications.** A commercial wind energy system shall comply with the permit application requirements set forth in Section 4, Paragraph M.

SECTION 6. NON USE.

A. Any wind energy system which complies with the terms of this ordinance and is not used for nine (9) months, excluding repairs, shall be removed within the following ninety (90) days. Failure to remove the system shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance.

B. Any wind energy system which is non-conforming and is not used for nine (9) months, excluding repairs, shall be removed within the following ninety (90) days. Failure to remove the system shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance.
C. Removal if not operated for nine (9) consecutive months, owner bankrupt, owner fails to reply to mail from the town, the tower will be presumed to be abandoned and is to be removed within ninety (90) days, including foundation removal and site restoration, removal of other structures including, but not limited to: fences, cabling, underground utilities, etc. Failure to remove within ninety (90) days will be deemed a violation of this ordinance and intent to abandon, and the Town may perform removal at the owner's expense.

SECTION 7. SECURITY BONDS.

A. Before, and as a condition of, the approval of the Special Exception application filed for a Commercial Wind Energy System, the Board of Adjustment will require the developer, or installer, to file with the Town a bond in the amount adequate to cover the costs of removing the facility, together with any structures or equipment appurtenant thereto, and of returning the site to its condition prior to such installation and shall submit annual proof to the Board of Selectmen that said bond continues to be adequate. Failure to provide proof thirty (30) days beyond the annual deadline shall be deemed evidence of "non use" and intent to abandon.
B. A bond required by this section shall remain on file with the Town, and shall not be released unless the installation has been decommissioned, dismantled and removed.
C. The Zoning Board shall require the owner/operator of any Wind Energy System to provide, annually to the Board of Selectmen, proof that it is maintaining adequate liability insurance covering accident or damage with instructions to the insurer to notify the town if it lapses. Lapsed coverage would be deemed as evidence of "non use" and intent to abandon.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2008

Purpose of Appropriations	Approp. Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expend. Prior Year	Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recom.)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive	$40,000	$38,562.00	$40,000
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	13,000	12,710.00	13,000
Financial Administration	21,000	17,903.00	21,000
Revaluation of Property	13,500	13,200.00	13,500
Legal Expense	8,000	10,933.00	10,000
Planning and Zoning	6,000	2,875.00	6,000
General Government Buildings	20,000	30,021.00	15,000
Cemeteries	10,000	14,062.00	18,000
Insurance	32,000	32,465.00	30,000
Other General Government	10,000	24,659.00	10,000
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police	5,000	2,591.00	5,000
Ambulance	20,000	17,783.00	20,000
Fire	34,000	29,614.00	38,000
Emergency Management	500	-	500
Other (Incl. Communications) EMS	4,500	2,072.00	2,500
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			
Airport Operations	830	830.00	830
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			
Highways & Streets	105,000	124,731.00	110,000
Bridges	25,000	7,973.00	5,000
Street Lighting	4,500	4,209.00	4,500
Other/Crushing & Paving	22,000	21,200.00	10,000
SANITATION			
Solid Waste Disposal	85,000	88,653.00	80,000
Solid Waste Clean-Up	8,000	15,323.00	10,000
Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other	1,000	-	1,000
HEALTH			
Pest Control	500	254.00	500
Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	11,000	11,699.00	12,000
WELFARE			
Administration & Direct Assistance	5,000	539.00	5,000
CULTURE & RECREATION			
Parks & Recreation	5,000	531.00	3,000
Library	14,000	12,820.00	15,000
Patriotic Purposes	5,500	3,169.00	5,000
Other Culture/Library Committee			5,000

CONSERVATION			
Other Conservation	6,100	400.00	400
DEBT SERVICE			
Princ.-Long Term Bonds & Notes	30,000	32,492.00	25,000
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	10,000	7,328.00	7,000
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	4,000	4,500.00	4,500
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	-	-	
Buildings	-	-	0
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			
Sewer	3,000	3,079.00	3,000
To Capital Reserve Fund	100,000	100,000.00	0
To Exp. Tr. Fund-except #4917	65,000	65,000.00	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	$747,930	$754,180.00	$549,230

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Purpose of Appropriations	Warrant Article #	Approp. Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Approp. Ensuing FY (Recommended)
Library Trust Fund	6	$ 50,000	$ 50,000	$ 25,000
Athletic Trust Fund	6	10,000	10,000	7,500
CRF Highway Vehicle	4	30,000	30,000	30,000
CRF Dump Closure	4	10,000	10,000	10,000
CRF RT 115B Reconstruction	4	20,000	20,000	20,000
CRF Fire Truck	4	10,000	10,000	10,000
Building CRF	4	10,000	10,000	10,000
CRF Highway Maintenance & Repair	4	10,000	10,000	10,000
Cemetery Maintenance & Repair Trust Fund	6	5,000	5,000	10,000
				$132,500

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Purpose of Appropriations	Warrant Article #	Approp. Prior Yr. As App. by DRA	Actual Exp. Prior Yr.	Approp. Ens. FY (Rec.)	Approp. Ens. FY (Not Rec.)
Highway Vehicle Purchase	7			$125,000	
Town Hall & Garage Maintenance	8			27,000	
Israel River Road Maintenance	9			30,000	
Conservation Comm. Stag Hollow Brook	5			5,700	
				$187,700	

Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ens. Year
TAXES			
Land Use Change Taxes	$10,000	$23,490.00	$ 5,000
Resident Taxes	-	1,050.00	-
Timber Taxes	5,000	18,483.00	5,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	10,000	13,823.00	10,000
Other Taxes/Sewer Fees	3,000	2,932.00	3,000
Interest & Penalties on Delinq. Taxes	12,000	37,420.00	20,000
Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu. yd.)	100	129.00	100
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	195,000	211,424.00	195,000
Building Permits	30	47.00	30
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	3,000	4,955.00	3,000
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	-	8,448.00	-
FROM STATE			
Shared Revenues	8,000	8,831.00	8,831
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	40,000	45,247.00	42,000
Highway Block Grant	36,283	36,283.00	36,993
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	-	-	-
Other (Including Railroad Tax)		484.00	-
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	4,000	1,008.00	1,000
Other Charges	5,000	4,334.00	5,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Sale of Municipal Property	-	500.00	-
Interest on Investments	3,000	7,782.00	4,000
Other	10,000	27,878.00	10,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			
Sewer (Offset)	1,000	-	1,000
From Capital Reserve Funds Art. #7, 8, 9	0	-	152,000
From Trust & Agency Funds	21,000	2,140.00	15,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Proceeds from Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	-	0
Amount VOTED from F/B ("Surplus") Art. #5	27,000	27,000.00	5,700
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes	0	-	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS	$390,413	$456,688.00	$522,654

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Appropriations Recommended	$554,100	$549,230
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	165,000	132,500
"Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended	45,830	187,700
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	764,930	869,430
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	-390,413	-522,654
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	$374,517	$346,776

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen,
Jefferson, New Hampshire:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and fiduciary fund information of Town of Jefferson as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively compose the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Town of Jefferson's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and fiduciary fund information of Town of Jefferson as of December 31, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof, and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management's discussion and analysis on pages two through six is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively compose Town of Jefferson's basic financial statements. Schedules 1 and 2 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information in Schedules 1 and 2 has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

CRANE & BELL, PLLC

October 29, 2007

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

LAND		
Current Use (current use value)		
16665.88 acres	$ 1,539,320	
Residential 4340.96 acres	39,371,400	
Commercial/Industrial/Mixed use		
644.83 acres	3,567,200	
TOTAL TAXABLE LAND		$ 44,477,920
BUILDINGS		
Residential	73,519,900	
Manufactured Housing	4,298,500	
Commercial/Industrial/Mixed Use	10,500,900	
TOTAL OF TAXABLE BUILDINGS		88,319,300
UTILITIES		
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	1,047,400	
Portland Pipeline Corporation	3,815,300	
TOTAL UTILITIES		4,862,700
VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS		137,659,920
EXEMPTIONS		
Blind (1)	15,000	
Elderly (7)	110,000	
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS		125,000
NET VALUE FOR LOCAL TAX COMPUTATION		$137,534,920
Less Utilities		4,862,700
NET VALUE FOR STATE TAX COMPUTATION		$132,672,220

Land tax exempt and non-taxable 8766.94 acres value $26,425,400 buildings tax exempt and non-taxable value $1,439,000.

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Town Appropriations	$764,930
Less Revenues	-519,205
Net Town Appropriations	245,725
Add School Appropriations	2,038,657
Less Adequate Education Grant	-430,471
Less State Education Tax	-303,874
Add County Appropriations	446,810
TOTAL	1,996,847
Less Shared Revenues	-3,360
Add Veterans Credit	2,950
Add Overlay	19,770
LOCAL TAXES TO BE RAISED	2,016,207
STATE EDUCATION TAX TO BE RAISED	303,874
TOTAL TAXES BEING RAISED	$2,320,081

PROOF OF COMPUTATION - local valuation 137,534,920 times $14.66 per thousand equals 2,016,081, state local valuation less utilities 132,672,220 times $2.29 per thousand equals 303,874.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

TAXES		
Property Taxes	$2,212,232	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	13,823	
Resident Taxes	1,050	
Excavation Taxes	129	
Yield Taxes	18,483	
Interest and Penalties	37,420	
Land Use Change Tax	23,490	
TOTAL		$2,306,627
LICENSES AND PERMITS		
Motor Vehicles	211,424	
Building Permits	47	
Other Licenses and Permits	4,955	
TOTAL		216,426
FROM STATE AND FEDERAL		
Shared Revenue	8,831	
Highway Block Grant	36,283	
Fire Warden Reimbursement 1/2	484	
FEMA Storm Reimbursement	8,448	
Rooms and Meals Tax	45,247	
TOTAL		99,293
MISC. REVENUE SOURCES		
Reimbursements	1,375	
Income from Departments	1,349	
Interest on Investment	7,782	
Sewer Fees Collected	2,932	
Coping and Dump Stickers	508	
Town Hall Rent	500	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	500	
Grants	14,700	
Sale of Scrap Metal	3,554	
Insurance Dividends & Claims	6,901	
Town Clerk Fees Reimbursed	4,334	
TOTAL		44,435
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS		
Cemetery Fund	1,300	
Reclamation Trust Fund (Town Clerk Fees)	840	
TOTAL		2,140
Taxes Bought by Town	55,651	
TOTAL		55,651
TEMPORARY LOAN		
Tax Anticipation Note	520,863	
TOTAL		520,863
TOTAL REVENUE ALL SOURCES		$3,245,435

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
Executive	$38,562
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	12,710
(9,323 reimbursed clerk fees)	
Financial Administration	17,903
Revaluation	13,200
Planning Board	2,289
Zoning Board	586
Legal Expenses	10,933
Town Hall & Other Government Buildings	30,021
Insurance (820 paid by employee)	32,465
Cemeteries	14,062
Tax Abatements & Refunds	11,042
Other Government Reimbursement	13,617
Taxes Bought by Town	59,657
Whitefield Regional Airport	830
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Fire Dept.	29,614
Police	2,591
Animal Control	254
EMS	2,072
Emergency Management	0
HIGHWAY AND STREETS	
Highway Department	124,731
Street Lighting	4,209
Gravel Crushing & Paving	21,200
Bridges	7,973
SANITATION	
Solidwaste Disposal and Recycling	88,653
Sewerage Collection and Disposal	0
Landfill Monitoring & Groundwater Plans	15,323
HEALTH	
Ambulance	17,783
Senior Meals	475
Health Services	11,224
WELFARE	
Direct Assistance	539

CULTURE AND RECREATION		
Park and Recreation	531	
Library	12,820	
Patriotic Purposes	3,169	
CONSERVATION		
Conservation Commission	400	
DEBT SERVICES		
Temporary Loans (TAN)	520,863	
Interest Tax Anticipation Note	4,500	
PRINCIPAL LONG TERM DEBT		
Freightliner Fire Truck	17,492	
Interest Long Term Debt - firetruck	4,117	
Garage	15,000	
Interest Long Term Debt - garage	5,647	
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		
Transfer to Capital Reserve Funds	100,000	
Transfer to Sewer Fund (treasurer transfer)	3,078	
Transfer to Expendable Trust	65,000	
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS		
Taxes Paid to County	446,810	
Taxes Paid to School District	1,562,068	
TOTAL		$3,346,013

BALANCE SHEET

CURRENT ASSETS	Begin. of Year	End of Year
Cash and Equivalents	$576,429	$597,040
Taxes Receivable	237,387	259,202
Tax Liens Receivable	33,647	49,790
Accounts Receivable		1,350
Other Current Assets		3,165
Taxes Deeded Property (subject to resale)		5,337
TOTAL ASSETS	$847,463	$915,884
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Warrants & Accounts Payable	3,821	
Due to School District	559,773	575,568
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$563,594	$575,568
FUND EQUITY		
Reserve for Special Purposes		19,533
Unreserved Fund Balance	283,869	320,783
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	$283,869	$340,316
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	$847,463	$915,884

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, land and buildings	$ 964,998
furniture and equipment	181,753
Library, land and buildings	206,097
furniture, equipment, books	94,698
Police Department	2,000
Fire Department, building	280,864
equipment	643,284
Highway Department, Garage	80,000
Parks, commons and playgrounds	97,200
Gravel Pit	7,300
Solid Waste Facility	115,000
Cemeteries	150,200
Deeded Land	115,800
Total	$2,939,194

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

		PRIOR LEVIES		
	2007	2006	2005	2004+
DR.				
UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF YEAR*				
Property Taxes		$256,459.29		
Resident Taxes		1,140.00	440.00	390.00
Timber Yield Taxes		772.22		
Utility Charges		2,676.00		326.00
TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR:				
Property Taxes	$2,311,137.00			
Land Use Change Taxes	23,490.00			
Timber Yield Taxes	17,710.66			
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd.	117.68			
Utility Charges	3,148.00			
OVERPAYMENTS:				
Remaining from Prior Year	2.10			
New this Fiscal year	4,519.30			
Resident Tax				30.00
Interest - Late Tax	60.33	15,252.60		140.09
Resident Tax Penalty		69.00	17.00	13.00
TOTAL DEBITS	$2,360,185.07	$276,369.11	$457.00	$899.09

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance.
If not, please explain.

		PRIOR LEVIES		
	2007	2006	2005	2004+
CR.				
REMITTED TO TREASURER:				
Property Taxes	$1,984,699.98	$201,403.21		
Resident Taxes		750.00	170.00	160.00
Land Use Change Taxes	23,490.00			
Timber Yield Taxes	17,710.66	772.22		
Interest & Penalties	60.33	15,321.60	17.00	153.09
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd.	117.68			
Utility Charges		1,956.00		255.96
Converted to Liens (principal only)		54,008.24		
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	2.00			
ABATEMENTS MADE:				
Property Taxes	527.00	1,780.01		
Resident Taxes		390.00	270.00	260.00
Utility Charges				70.04
UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF YEAR:				
Property Taxes	325,910.02			
Utility Charges	3,148.00			
This Year's Overpayments Returned	4,519.30			
Prior Year's Overpayments Returned	.10			
TOTAL CREDITS	$2,360,185.07	$276,369.11	$ 457.00	$899.09

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Sale/Lien Accounts

		PRIOR LEVIES	
	2006	2005	2004
DR.			
UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS:			
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of Fiscal Year		$31,757.24	$18,032.75
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	$59,656.96		
Interest & Costs Collected	675.99	2,160.13	4,485.44
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	$60,332.95	$33,917.37	$22,518.19

		PRIOR LEVIES	
	2006	2005	2004
CR.			
REMITTED TO TREASURER:			
Redemptions	$14,419.57	$10,997.88	$13,083.17
Interest and Costs Collected	675.99	2,160.13	4,485.44
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	35.75	161.95	
Liens Deeded to Municipality	4,922.50	3,630.55	3,587.79
Unredeemed Liens End of Fiscal Year	40,279.14	16,966.86	1,361.79
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	$60,332.95	$33,917.37	$22,518.19

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? NO

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. GROSS
Tax Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

I hereby certify that during the year ending December 31, 2007, I issued 1,827 automobile registrations, which I collected for same $210,722.00, which I turned over to the Treasurer.

I collected 1,697 Reclamation Trust Fund fees, amounting to $4,759.00, which I turned over to the Treasurer.

I issued 203 Dog Licenses collecting for same $1,196.00, which I turned over to the Treasurer.

I issued 2 Marriage Licenses, which I reported to the State Vital Records Bureau.

I collected $4.00 in Filing Fees, which I turned over to the Treasurer.

My expenses for postage, supplies, and mileage to meetings were $248.96.

Respectfully submitted,
OPAL L. BRONSON
Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT

I hereby certify that in the year ending December 31, 2007, I have received from the Selectmen, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Reclamation Trust Fund, Sewer Fund, Lancaster National Bank, and the Conservation Commission and have paid the Selectmen's orders and carried out other transactions as follows, in the succeeding separate accounts to the best of my knowledge.

GENERAL SAVINGS		
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 2007	$ 580,403.83	
Received from Tax Collector	2,351,385.45	
Received from Town Clerk	216,252.00	
Received from Selectmen	144,399.99	
RTF Transfer	506.00	
Interest	7,558.47	
TOTAL GENERAL SAVINGS	$2,720,101.91	
GENERAL SAVINGS DISBURSEMENTS		
Transfers as per Selectmen's Orders	$2,823,096.38	
2007 GENERAL SAVINGS 12/31/07 BAL.		$ 477,409.36
GENERAL CHECKING		
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 2007	$ 2,440.15	
Transfers & TAN Loan as per Selectmen's Orders	3,341,214.38	
Interest	223.90	
TOTAL GENERAL CHECKING CREDIT	$3,341,438.28	
GENERAL CHECKING DISBURSEMENTS		
Disbursements per Selectmen's Orders	$3,342,114.97	
2007 GENERAL CHECKING 12/31/07 BAL.		$ 1,763.46
R.T.F.		
2006 Bank Balance	$ 4,603.48	
2007 Deposits	4,762.00	
2007 Interest	33.47	
TOTAL CREDITS	$ 9,398.95	
R.T.F. DISBURSEMENTS		
Town Clerk's Commission		
1717 Registrations	$ 840.00	
Tire Removal	0.00	
	$ 840.00	
2007 R.T.F. 12/31/07 BAL.		$ 8,558.95
R.T.F. CD 12/31/07 BAL.		$ 16,483.97
SEWER FUND		
2006 Balance	$ 8,434.97	
2007 Deposits	3,078.96	
2007 Interest	38.30	
2007 SEWER FUND 12/31/07 BAL.	$ 11,552.23	$ 11,552.23
SEWER CD 12/31/07 BAL.		$ 21,848.72
CONSERVATION COMM. FUND		
2006 Balance	$ 1,157.89	
2007 Interest	2.27	
2007 Deposits	379.88	
2006 CONSERVATION FUND	$ 1,540.04	$ 1,540.04
RED BROOK ROAD PROPERTY BOND		
2007 Balance	$ 99,000.00	
2007 R.B. ROAD PROP. BOND 12/31/07 BAL.		$ 99,000.00

Respectfully submitted, WENDY WELLS

FINANCIAL REPORT OF JEFFERSON TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
For the Year Ended 12/31/2007

Deposits with Lancaster National Bank		
Cemetery Care	$ 88,525.88	
Jefferson Memorial Health Fund	2,516.25	
Friends of Ben Kenison Fund	935.00	
H. Hartley Conservation Fund	1,850.11	
Skating Rink Fund	1,186.98	
Honor Roll Fund	1,719.66	
Nevers-Jefferson Scholarship Fund	30,238.81	
Total Deposits with Lancaster Nat. Bank	$126,972.69	
Deposits with NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		
Capital Reserve Funds:		
#1 Highway Vehicle	$ 133,085.40	
#2 Revaluation	12,293.78	
#3 Dump Closure	120,297.74	
#4 Bridge Repair & Maintenance	4,798.33	
#5 Reconstruction of Rte. 115B	114,848.39	
#6 Fire Truck	57,194.07	
#7 Buildings	83,899.50	
#8 Highway Garage	273.17	
#9 Highway Repair	30,885.42	
#10 Municipal Software	2,400.25	
Perambulating Town Lines	16,081.70	
Town Library Fund	103,513.41	
Athletic Trust Fund	5,883.97	
Cemetery Maintenance	6,151.21	
Total Funds in PDIP	$691,606.34	
Total of all Trust Accounts as of 12/31/2007		$818,579.03
Total of all Trust Accounts as of 12/31/2006		$633,837.73
Expenditures:		
Care of Cemeteries	1,300.00	
White Mtns. Regional H.S. Library	31.64	
Nevers/Jefferson Scholarships	1,750.00	
Athletic Trust Fund	9,131.08	
Town - Municipal Software	0.00	
Total Expenditures	$12,212.72	
Additions to Funds		
Interest Earned on Accounts	30,829.02	
Nevers/Jefferson Scholarship Donations	125.00	
CR#1 Highway Vehicle	30,000.00	
CR#3 Dump Closure Fund	10,000.00	
CR#5 Reconstruction of 115B	20,000.00	
CR#6 Fire Truck	10,000.00	
CR#7 Buildings	10,000.00	
CR#9 Highway Repair	20,000.00	
Town Library Fund	50,000.00	
Athletic Trust Fund	10,000.00	
Cemetery Maintenance Fund	6,000.00	
Total Additions	$196,954.02	
Net Increase to all Funds		184,741.30
Balance as of 12/31/2007		$818,579.03

Trustees of Trust Funds:
JASON CALL RUPERT CORRIGAN ALDEN HOLMES

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

EXECUTIVE		
Carroll Ingerson, Chairman	$1,500	
Bruce Hicks	1,500	
Norman Brown	1,500	
Paul Donovan, Moderator	75	
Employer FICA & Medicare	344	
Linda Cushman, Assistant	21,696	
Employer FICA & Medicare	1,660	
Printing	1,817	
Dues & Memberships	1,036	
Office Supplies	834	
Postage & Envelopes	201	
Phone	879	
Cable - Time Warner	539	
Advertising	188	
Office Machine Repair & Maintenance	441	
Avitar Software Service Contract	2,906	
Miscellaneous	1,446	
TOTAL		38,562
ELECTION, REGISTRY & VITAL		
Opal Bronson, Town Clerk	1,000	
Donald Noyes, Supervisor	200	
Cheryl Meehan, Supervisor	200	
Jane Holmes, Supervisor	200	
Employer FICA & Medicare	122	
Fees paid to Clerk		
Auto Registration Fees	3,754	
Municpal Agent Fees	3,070	
Title Fees	530	
Dog Licenses Fees	203	
Vital Records	138	
Reclamation Trust Fees	870	
UCC Filing Fees	995	
Dog Licenses & tags	57	
Supervisors Expenses	216	
Clerk Convention, Meetings & Dues	556	
Miscellaneous	478	
Postage	121	
TOTAL		12,710
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION		
Tax Map Update	800	
Subtotal		800
Treasurer		
Wendy Wells	2,000	
Employer FICA & Medicare	153	

Postage, Envelopes	132	
Expenses	400	
Subtotal		2,685
Tax Collector		
Mary Gross	7,700	
Employer FICA & Medicare	589	
Redemptions	52	
Printing Forms	244	
Postage & Envelopes	205	
Supplies	78	
Dues & Meeting	50	
Subtotal		8,918
Auditing of Town Books	5,500	
Subtotal		5,500
TOTAL		17,903
PLANNING & ZONING		
Planning		
Secretary	775	
Employer FICA & Medicare	59	
Advertising	191	
Abutters Hearings	96	
Envelopes & postage	152	
Dues	1,016	
Subtotal		2,289
Zoning		
Rita Larcomb, Secretary	390	
Employer FICA & Medicare	30	
Postage	142	
Advertising	24	
Subtotal		586
TOTAL		2,875
AIRPORT OPERATIONS		
White Mountain Regional Airport	830	
TOTAL		830
INSURANCE		
Worker Compensation	5,101	
Property Liability - NHMA Trust	10,784	
Health Insurance	16,580	
TOTAL		32,465
POLICE		
Charles Huntington, Officer	1,436	
Employer FICA & Medicare	110	
Mileage	674	

Radio Repair & Maintenance	127	
Miscellaneous	244	
TOTAL		2,591
LIBRARY		
Suzanne Crafton, Librarian	3,596	
Kate Savage	311	
Darcie Call	796	
Sally Brooks	11	
Employer FICA & Medicare	361	
Trustees Budget	5,000	
Heating Fuel	1,823	
Phone	493	
Electricity	429	
TOTAL		12,820
STREET LIGHTING		
Public Service Company	4,209	
TOTAL		4,209
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
Postage & Batteries	20	
Balance Transfer to Conserv. Acct.	380	
TOTAL		400
EMS		
Payroll	260	
Employer FICA & Medicare	20	
Medical Supplies	1,536	
Radio Repairs	256	
TOTAL		2,072
LEGAL EXPENSES		
General Expenses	3,323	
Glidden	2,792	
Estabrooks	4,818	
TOTAL		10,933
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		
Electricity	848	
Heating Fuel	1,566	
Grounds Payroll	2,048	
Employer FICA	157	
Buildings Maintenance - 4/16 Storm	11,525	
Library Roofing Contract	9,457	
Paint Parking Lot Lines	1,745	
Engineering	660	
Office Maintenance	1,057	

Sewer Rent Paid	146	
Supplies	503	
Miscellaneous	309	
TOTAL		30,021
CEMETERIES		
Starr King mowing & cleaning stones	1,980	
Indian	490	
Hillside	2,046	
Forrest Vale	2,211	
Riverton	1,025	
Kilkenny View mowing & Fence Repair	6,080	
Wentworth-Reed	230	
TOTAL		14,062
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		
Memorial Day	169	
4th of July	3,000	
TOTAL		3169
PARK AND RECREATION		
Electricity	204	
Miscellaneous	327	
TOTAL		531
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		
Salaries	53,680	
Employer FICA & Medicare	4,107	
General Highway Expenses		
Electricity	549	
Garage Fuel	245	
Building Repair & Maintenance	11,239	
Telephone	564	
International Repairs & Maintenance	5,239	
2002 Ford Repair & Maintenance	3,630	
Plow Repair & Maintenance	3,154	
Backhoe Repair & Maintenance	1,979	
Sander Repair & Maintenance	1,460	
Grader Repair & Maintenance	1,400	
Rock Rake Repair & Maintenance	-	
Radio Repair & Maintenance	190	
Vehicle Fuel	6,889	
Chloride	7,487	
Winter Sand	10,838	
Salt	2,004	
Pressure Cleaner	360	
Maintenance Supplies	2,834	
Road Maintenance	1,359	
Hired Equipment	5,300	

Portable Toilet	224	
Miscellaneous	-	
TOTAL		124,731
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL		
Salaries	15,550	
Employer FICA & Medicare	1,190	
Electricity	438	
Hauling to Mt. Carberry Landfill	8,735	
Hauling to Recycling Ctr. - Berlin	11,496	
Disposal Cost Mt. Carberry Landfill	28,616	
Container Repair & Maintenance	4,752	
Annual Membership Fee	1,672	
Telephone	444	
Transfer Station Building	14,645	
Miscellaneous	1,115	
TOTAL		88,653
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Chris Milligan, Chief	2,010	
Mark Corrigan, Asst. Chief	575	
Lawrence Coulter, Jr.	770	
Jamie Gooden	172	
Michael Hatfield	-	
Fred Ingerson	124	
Larry Kenison	650	
Edward Tibbets	136	
Peter Tibbets	128	
Kevin Staines	590	
Larry Wells	560	
Jeff Wiseman	640	
Bill Patnaude	80	
William Jones	168	
Jack Paschal	300	
Eugene Davis	106	
Joe Beliveau	62	
John Bishop	345	
John Silver, Jr.	446	
Barry Nelson	560	
Employer FICA & Medicare	644	
Electricity	1,021	
Building Fuel	1,350	
Radio & Pager	1,219	
New Equipment	3,440	
Air System	1,015	
General Maintenance Supplies	741	
Vehicle Fuel	1,198	
Telephone	534	
Fire Warden Expenses	912	

Building Repair & Maintenance	1,754	
Dues	350	
General Vehicle Maintenance Supplies	1,757	
Engine I Repair & Maintenance	137	
Engine III Repair & Maintenance	3,218	
Tanker I	267	
Van	110	
Miscellaneous	1,525	
TOTAL		29,614
OTHER GOVERNMENT EXPENSES		
(moneys collected & paid out)		
Refunds Over Payment Property Tax	9,085	
Abatements	1,956	
State Payment Vital Records	230	
Tire, Televison & Computer Removal	2,875	
State Animal Population Control	395	
NCIC - Broadband Pilot Program	9,000	
Septage Removal Agreement	500	
Miscellaneous Expenses	617	
TOTAL		24,658
AMBULANCE		
Yearly Contract	12,575	
Unpaid Transports Reimbursed	5,208	
TOTAL		17,783
HEALTH AGENCIES		
Weeks Home Health	5,201	
North Country Senior Meals	475	
White Mountain Mental Health	1,373	
Tri County Community Action	900	
Littleton Regional Hospital	2,100	
Caleb Group	1,650	
TOTAL		11,699
WELFARE		
Direct Assistance	539	
TOTAL		539
REVALUATION		
Assessing Revaluation	13,200	
TOTAL		13,200
LANDFILL CLOSURE PLANS		
Annual Report, Monitoring, Groundwater Permit	12,803	
Groundwater Testing	2,520	
TOTAL		15,323

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Winter Road Maintenance		
Salaries		
Paul Couture	$12,363.50	
Frank Gray	4,215.18	
Carroll Ingerson	3,408.00	
Neil Gross	3,090.00	
Total		$23,076.68
Summer Road Maintenance		
Salaries		
Jean Paul Couture	$16,856.00	
Neil Gross	2,930.00	
Frank Gray	8,066.55	
Carroll Ingerson	260.00	
Total		$28,112.55
Hired Equipment		
Les Bushaw – Chipper	$ 400.00	
Mike Gray & Son Trucking		
Truck & Excavator	2,070.00	
Paul Couture – Chain Saw	120.00	
Avery's Sweeper	630.00	
Jeffrey Heath- Roadside Mowing	2,080.00	
	$ 5,300.00	

PAUL COUTURE
Road Agent

TRANSFER STATION REPORT

As of January 1, 2008, the disposal of **mercury-containing products at landfills, transfer stations and incinerators is prohibited.** This means these items may not be disposed of as a solid waste with the "normal" garbage. The ban covers products including: **thermometers, fluorescent lamps, thermostats, mercury button cell batteries, switches and relays.** The ban does not include the **recycling** of these items at solid waste facilities. At this point in time these items can be brought to the AVRRDD Transfer Station for recycling.

Effective July 1, 2007 the State of New Hampshire Dept. has banned the disposal of **video display devices (computer monitors, televisions, liquid crystal displays and plasma displays) greater than 4 inches in diagonal measure.** These items are being collected at the Transfer Station for disposal. See the attendants for details.

To assist in the operation of the Transfer Station please pre-sort your garbage and recyclables before you get to the Transfer Station. With the **COOPERATION** of our residents we can continue to be successful cutting cost.

Please continue to keep the operation of the Transfer Station working smoothly by doing the following:

1. if you are not sure where something goes **ask** the Attendant
2. **please** sort your items **before** you get to the Transfer Station; this will help keep traffic moving
3. corrugated cardboard flatten **NO pizza or cereal type boxes**
4. junk mail and light cardboard (cereal, cracker boxes, etc.) go together
5. newspapers and magazines together

Due to the fact that there is a very limited market for textiles we **NO LONGER accept** textiles for recycling.

TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Summer Hours(after Father's Day)	Winter Hours(after Columbus Day)
Monday - 3:00 to 5:00	Monday - Closed
Wednesday - Noon to 5:00	Wednesday - 3:00 to 5:00
Saturday - 8:00 to 5:00	Saturday - 8:00 to 5:00

We would like to thank everyone for their cooperation.

FRANK GRAY
Transfer Station Officer

JIMMEY HOWLAND
Attendant

JEFFERSON FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

2007 turned out to be a busy year for the departments, we responded to a combined total of fifty-nine incidents. We responded to almost half of our call volume in just the first four months of the new year. We responded to one structure fire here in town in January that resulted in the total loss of a home. Thankfully the home was equipped with smoke/fire alarms that alerted the occupants and allowed them to escape unharmed. The departments were busy during the two big storms of the year, the Valentines day storm and the Nor'easter that ripped through the north country in April. Our members braved the elements to respond to a chimney fire and to various parts of town that trees and wires had come into the roadways. These storms were definitely one for the books. Let's hope 2008 is nicer weather wise.

Though we respond to many different types of incidents, there is always one or two that stick out, may it be a fire or medical call, and to have tools and training to save someone's property or life, as we were able to do this past fall. There are times when all the pieces fall into place, and having AEDS (Automatic External Defibrillators) made possible through the NH EMS grant program, our EMS skills and an AED kept a life threatening issue from taking the life from one of our residents. Not all the incidents we respond to have a good ending, but it has never been from the lack of training or dedication, though there are times when things are out of our control. We must thank our Fire and EMS members for the unselfish dedication to our community who provide emergency services for us.

Every year I write about safety tips for ourselves and our homes, I know most of this is repetitive, but I feel they are very important for all of us.

1. Fire Safety Is Fire Prevention.

How safe is your home? This can be simple things, such as not overloading extension cords and maintaining our heating systems by having them cleaned and inspected yearly. Burn wood? With the high price of fuel oil, more people are returning to alternate heating sources. Please have your wood stove installation approved and inspected. Keep check on creosote build-up in pipes and chimneys and disposing of wood ashes properly. Do not operate any unapproved, unvented heating system in the home. Never leave combustible items near any heating system. Make sure all vents for any heating system, dryer vents, doors leading to the outside are clear and clean, especially during the winter months. Always use open fire safely and responsibly. We should all have a check list and the entire family can get involved to help make us safer. Have an escape plan and practice it often, make sure everyone knows where the designated meeting place is. Never return into a building that has some type of problem. Knowing what to do during an emergency may have a better ending in a bad situation. For our residents, the fire department, free of charge, is willing to give your home a safety inspection, or contact us with any concerns you may have.

2. Smoke And Carbon Monoxide Detectors.

I cannot stress this enough. Every home should have adequate **Smoke Alarms**

and Carbon Monoxide Detectors. These are our first defense should something go wrong. These need to be in all living areas. Test all you may have once a month. Change your clocks, change your batteries. Have at least 2 working ABC fire extinguishers easily accessible and know how to use them. If you need help in installing a detector, or should you need a detector, please contact any member of the department and we would be glad to assist.

3. The Only Number To Call For Fire, EMS, Police Is 911.

Keep this number and all Emergency Numbers posted near your phones. Teach your younger children the necessity of this number and only use when there is an emergency. Never let a small problem become a large one.

4. Make Sure Your House Number Is Visible.

The number issued to your home is your responsibility, please be sure your number is in good condition and visible from the road. This will help us and other agencies find you that much faster should you need that service.

5. Permits For Outside Fires.

In accordance with the laws of New Hampshire Forests and Lands, any outdoor fire requires a written permit, when conditions allow. You must obtain a permit for campfires, and to burn brush. Any type of fire to do with wood requires a permit. No permit is needed when there is adequate snow on the ground. A permit is not required for charcoal and gas grills.

It is Against The Law to Burn Any Type of Household Trash. This Act is Punishable By Fines. The transfer station will accept all our separated trash. Please call me or a Deputy Warden for any questions you may have.

We all must take fire safety seriously. Each year thousands of people are injured or killed, causing millions of dollars in personnel and property damages throughout the country. Even though the statistics are grim, we do not have to be one. Practice fire safety every day, and if you are not sure about something, please contact the department, we are available to assist our residents at any time.

Through the course of the year, the department members continue to train to hone our skills with the different types of equipment we have. We were fortunate again this past year to have a building donated to use for various types of training, which included search and rescue, ventilation and live fire training, pump operations and tanker shuttles. This also allows us to work with our mutual aid member towns familiarizing ourselves with other departments and equipment. This helps us tremendously to better ready ourselves in the event of a real incident. In the spring, we also burn off fields of grass, at the owner's request for forestry training. It also helps lessen the chance of the area being accidentally or deliberately set.

Our members showed their pride participating in our home town 4th of July parade and in October participated in Lancaster Fire Prevention parade. Each year during Fire Prevention Week, we do fire prevention activities with the school children. Bonnie Hicks' students of Kid's Connection visited our station to learn about fire safety and our equipment we use during emergencies. We also were invited down to the Jefferson Elementary School to present our program to the students and the staff. We feel this is a worthwhile program for all, as it is never

too early to learn and practice fire safety, and seems to be very successful over the years. We wish to thank both schools for your hospitality, and look forward to seeing you all in October 2008.

This past year, the Jefferson Firemen's Association voted to use funds that have been raised through fundraisers, to do the start on what will become the addition for the fire department. With the bulk of the ground work done this fall, a very nice rock retaining wall was completed and the uneven ground brought up to grade. This was completed by Mike Gray & Son Excavating of the town and AB Trucking and Excavating of Lancaster, respectively. The intentions are when funding allows, is to build an addition, as this would allow us to have more room to park the trucks and allow us to remodel the existing building to suit the needs of the departments. We will keep everyone posted on this project as it progresses.

Being a member of the departments is much more than just responding to incidents. Our members are residents first, but give up precious family time, which seems to be in short commodity these days, as other activities in our lives are more demanding. These people are dedicated and willing to attend required meetings, train, to accept the call of duty 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, no matter what the weather may be. Thank you members of the JFD and JEMS for your commitment, be proud people, you serve your community well and strive to give the best possible emergency services we can. I am grateful to be the Chief of such a good group of people. We are grateful for the support we receive from our community and from our Board of Selectmen, and to the past members who helped make the department what it is today.

Thank you to NHDOT District 1 Lancaster, for our fire department dispatching and assistance, Weeks Hospital for our EMS dispatching, to the members of North Pac Mutual Aid, helping us when we need it, and Lancaster EMS for ambulance service. May we be all safe and prosperous in 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief CHRISTOPHER MILLIGAN

JEFFERSON FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Our Firemen's Association had a very successful year with our fundraising events. We had a great turnout of chefs and tasters for our fourth Chili, Chowder, Soup Cook-Off. There was a good variety of entries and first, second and third places were awarded in each category. This is a good start to welcome spring, good fun and friendly competition. So we are calling all cooks, anyone can enter and as in many categories as you would like. And you can mark the date for this year's cook-off. It will be held April 26, 2008 at the fire station. We look forward to seeing everyone.

We had a very good turnout for our pancake breakfasts and both were a huge success. It is nice to see and have a lot of repeat customers. These events turned into a good social gathering as well as fundraisers.

Thank you to the Jefferson Odd Fellows Lodge I.O.O.F. #103 for the use of the hall for these functions, and to the Jefferson Christian Church members for giving up your Sundays at the hall. Our thanks to the Old Corner Store, The Water Wheel Restaurant and Gift House for the generous donations of food. To all the great folks for the muffins, beans, doughnuts and goodies that help make this event a success.

Our August Merlyn Baker Memorial Golf Tournament at the Waumbek Golf Course was well attended and prizes and luncheon followed. Thank you Larry Fellows and the staff for having us, and a special thank you to Helen Coulter and Grace Gross once again for putting on a fabulous meal, and to all the businesses who made prize donations for this event.

This year the Association voted to appropriate the use of funds we have worked for to be used to do ground work beside the fire station for the beginning of future expansion of the fire station. The rock wall and bringing the ground up to a level grade was completed this fall by Mike Gray and Son Excavating of town, and AB Trucking and Excavating of Lancaster. The Association took on this project to help get things rolling, and in hopes the department will be able to obtain some funding in the future to continue. The Association members felt this was a good project to undertake this past year. Over the course of the years the Association has funded many projects, and will continue to help out in any way we can.

All the fundraisers we hold, and the monies generated have always been used to benefit the members of the association, the fire department, and the town of Jefferson.

Our events would not be successful without the hard work from our members, the generosity of donations we receive, or without the great folks who attend.

Thank you members for your hard work to keep the association going, our behind the scenes people who help out when we need it. May we all have a safe and healthy 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

President MARK CORRIGAN

JEFFERSON FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE 2007 INCIDENT RESPONSES

Alarm Activation	1
Chimney Fire	1
Container Fire (transfer station)	1
Flooded Basement	1
Brush/Grass	2
Medical Calls (JEMS)	20
Motor Vehicle Accidents	9
Mutual Aid (to other towns)	12
Plugged Chimney	1
Propane Leak	1
Smoke Investigation (unpermitted fire)	1
Snow Machine Fire	1
Structure Fire	1
Transformer Fire/PSNH Pole	1
Vehicle Fire T.T. (Refrigeration Unit)	1
Trees/Wires Down	4
Wood Stove Fire	1
Total	59

OFFICER ROSTER 2007

Chief Christopher Milligan
Deputy Chief Mark Corrigan
Captain John Paschal
Lieutenant Lawrence Kenison
Lieutenant/EMS Officer Lawrence Coulter Jr.
Lieutenant Larry Wells
Lieutenant Kevin Staines

Membership: 20 JEMS: 5
Emergency Management Director
Jeffrey Wiseman

NH FOREST AND LANDS TOWN OF JEFFERSON

Fire Warden	Christopher Milligan
Deputy Warden	Mark Corrigan
Deputy Warden	Lawrence Coulter, Jr.
Deputy Warden	Lawrence Coulter, Sr.
Deputy Warden	Fred Ingerson
Deputy Warden	Lawrence Kenison
Deputy Warden	Larry Wells

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

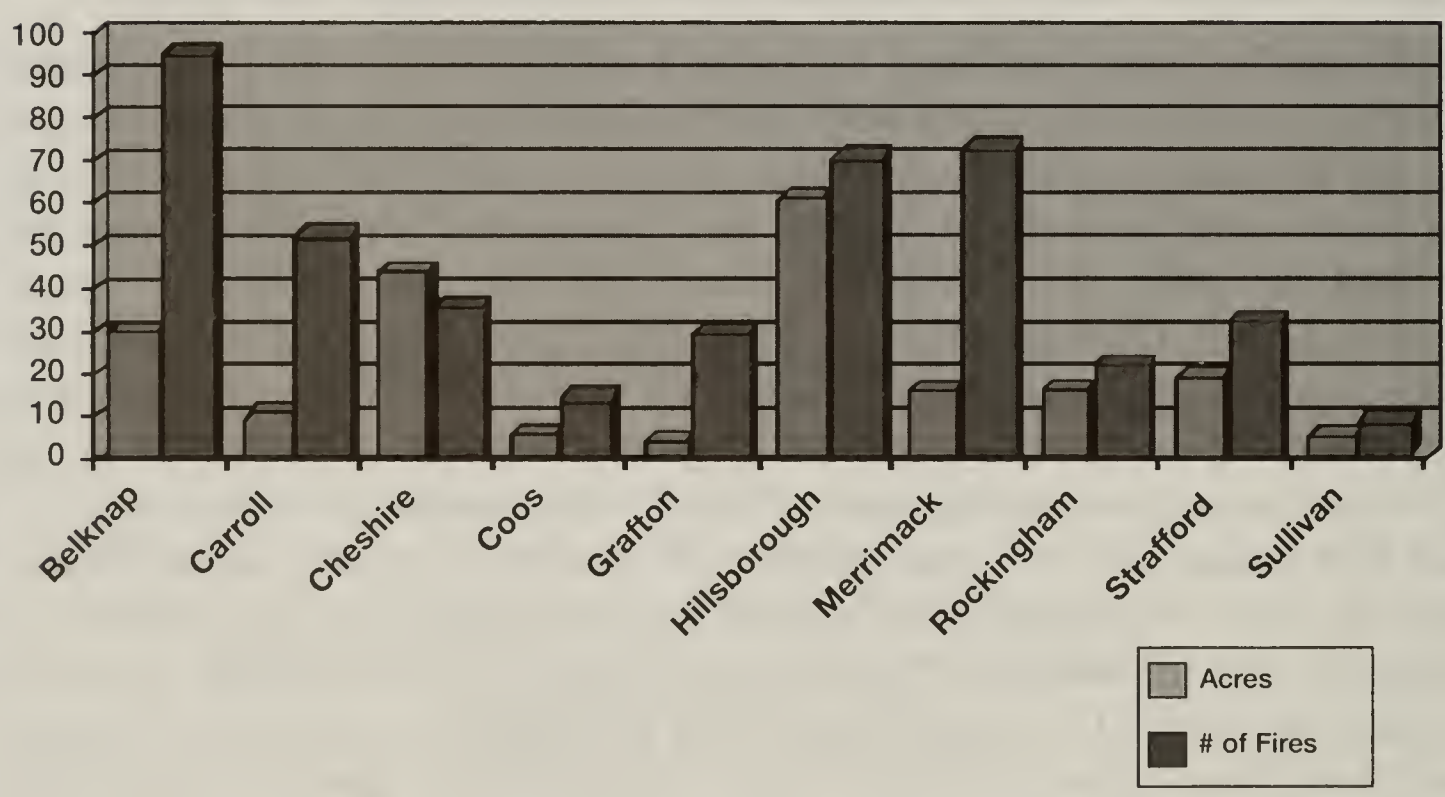
Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

Fire activity was very busy during the spring of the 2007 fire season, particularly late April into early May. As the forests and fields greened up in later May the fire danger decreased. However, a very dry late summer created very high fire danger again from August into September, with fire danger reaching very high on Labor Day weekend. Even with the dry conditions, the acreage burned was less than half that of 2006. The largest forest fire during the 2007 season burned approximately 26 acres on the side of Wantastiquet Mountain in Chesterfield during the month of May. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2007 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2007 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 8, 2007)
(figures do not include fires on the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	**Acres**	**# of Fires**
Belknap	30	95
Carroll	11	53
Cheshire	44	36
Coos	6	15
Grafton	4	30
Hillsborough	61	71
Merrimack	16	73
Rockingham	16	22
Strafford	19	32
Sullivan	5	10



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	5
Debris	197
Campfire	38
Children	22
Smoking	41
Railroad	5
Equipment	3
Lightning	7
Misc.*	119

(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

	Total Fires	Total Acres
2007	437	212
2006	500	473
2005	546	174
2004	482	147
2003	374	100

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

JEFFERSON LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Over the last several months the Jefferson Library Committee has been working to identify possible locations, building size, and program offerings for a new Jefferson Library. The library, as it is today, is inadequate in terms of space, accessibility, and parking. Water and bathroom facilities are non-existent. Jefferson residents have acknowledged the needs and indicated their support for an improved facility by raising $100,000.00 to date for the Library Capital Reserve Fund.

The mission of the Library Committee is to:

Design and construct a beautiful and economical building that will become a hub of the community and which will be constructed to use significantly less energy than a conventional library of this size. The purposes envisioned for this building are:

- To facilitate the current library operations to better serve the community
- To provide a functional library space for many years into the future
- To provide access for ALL citizens of Jefferson
- To furnish technology for patrons and staff use, now and in the future
- To provide a dynamic public place for the community to meet, learn and relax

Committee members have visited several libraries in the area and have talked with individuals responsible for building libraries in Lancaster, Shelburne, Randolph, and Craftsbury, VT. All of them have indicated that the process of building a new library can be a long one!

We have looked at several locations for a new building including the "old School" site where the Honor Roll Memorial now stands co-locating at the elementary school; the town owned site across the street from the current library and the Moulton property just west of the Rt. 2 and Bailey Road intersection. The town owned site or the Moulton properties are the two viable alternatives.

We have also determined that the new building should be between 2400-2800 square feet and we propose construction in 2010! Actual building design will depend largely on location and lot size. Our intent is to have a building that blends well with the neighborhood.

The Jefferson Library Building Committee

2007 LIBRARY REPORT

Support for our library has greatly increased this year as the new Library Committee looks into all possibilities for a new library. This renewed interest has resulted in more patrons, more donations and the purchase of more books and DVD's. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the library in any way from donations of materials, monetary support, attendance at meetings and fund raising events to patronizing the library on a regular basis.

There are now 494 library patrons, an increase of 28 over last year. Thank you all for showing us that the library is important to you! This year 269 books were purchased as well as 22 DVD's and 8 magazine subscriptions. Please feel free to stop by and check out our new selections. We are planning to expand the hours that the library is open, especially weekend hours.

Even though we are actively planning for a new library, we are taking steps to preserve our existing building. This year a new heating system was installed and repairs were made to the roof. A new toilet will soon be installed as well.

Our very supportive Friends of the Library group held their traditional book sale and a new event, a Cookie Walk at the Christmas Festival, both of which were very successful. We would like to thank them all for their enthusiasm and their continuing support.

Our librarian, Sue Crafton, sponsored a successful children's program again this year for summer reading. She also organized a Knitting and Crocheting Club which met on Wednesdays during the winter months. If you are interested in these programs or in starting a new one, please talk to Sue.

We thank you all again for supporting the library and encourage you to continue that support to ensure the future of the library for our children.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE COSTA, Trustee Chairman
DARCIE CALL, Trustee
DEBORAH DUBOIS, Trustee
SUZANNE CRAFTON, Librarian

2007 LIBRARY TRUSTEES FINANCIAL REPORT

Checking Acct. Balance as of 12/31/06		$495.53
Receipts		
Town Budget	$5,000.00	
Donation - Memory of Jane Holley	50.00	
Fees - Copies & Overdue Items	30.00	
Total Receipts	$5,080.00	
Expenses		
Books (269)	$3,636.70	
Periodicals (8)	180.10	
Audio/Video (22 DVD)	364.71	
Postage & Box Rental	69.46	
Memberships/Dues	90.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	287.60	
Total Expenses	$4,628.57	
Net Increase		451.43
Checking Acct. Balance as of 12/31/2007		946.96
Savings Acct. (Private Donation) Balance as of 12/31/2006		507.37
Interest for year		2.58
Savings Acct. Balance as of 12/31/2007		$509.95

Library Trustees:

DARCIE M. CALL, Treasurer
MARGUERITE COSTA, Chairman
DEBORAH DUBOIS, Secretary

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The members of the Board of Adjustment are appointed by the Selectmen upon the recommendations of the Board of Adjustment. The present members are: Kim Perry, Chairman; Jason Call, Vice Chairman, Burleigh Wyman, Kricket Ingerson, Thomas Walker. Alternates are Jennifer Barton.

The Board of Adjustment met as necessary on the second Thursday of each month in the Selectmen's Office. All meetings were open to the public. All hearings and rehearings are posted at the Town Hall and the Post Office.

The Board held one abutter hearing. One setback variance was granted.

During the coming year the Board of Adjustment will continue to deal with variances and special exceptions of the Land Use Ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

RITA M. LARCOMB
Secretary

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the town office. All meetings are open to the public.

Board members are Michael Meehan, chairman; Earl Brooks, Jason Call, Ronald Demers, and Donald Noyes. Charlene Wheeler is secretary to the board. The Selectmen's representative is Carroll Ingerson.

The Board approved several subdivisions and lot mergers along with conducting several informal consultations.

The Board members worked on updating the subdivision regulations, policy and procedures and the Land Use Ordinance. They have proposed the addition of a section to the Land Use Ordinance which addresses wind energy systems. This proposal will be presented to the voters via ballot at the 2008 Town Meeting.

The services of the NH Municipal Association, the Town's Conservation Commission and the NH Department of Environmental Services were among the resources used by the Board in its decision making process.

MICHAEL MEEHAN
Chairman

2007 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE JEFFERSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

- 10 monthly meetings held with each meeting having a quorum. Presentations were sponsored in lieu of the May and December meetings. All meetings have been, and will continue to be, held at the town offices at 7:00 PM on the third Tuesday of the month. Any changes are posted on the bulletin boards outside the town offices as well as at the Old Corner Store. Interested individuals are encouraged to attend.
- Membership changes:
    - Jeanne Leone moved from alternate to Commission member
    - Winnie Ward moved from Commission member to alternate member
    - Jean Cargill resigned after a service term from 1998 to 2007
- Brought in guests for presentations including:
    - Ted Walsh of the NH Department of Environmental Services to review the year's data collection on the Israel River
    - New Hampshire Audubon Society for a final review of the Routes 2/115 Wildlife Crossing Investigation
    - Sandra Crystall for a program on DES wetlands permitting
- Acquired new soils and wetlands layers for use in the town's natural resource inventory
- Provided technical assistance for the newly formed Martin Meadow Pond Association
- Assisted NHFG with fish monitoring in Stagg Hollow Brook
- Attended many workshops/trainings including the following:
    - NH Wildlife Action Plan Workshop
    - DES Land Resource Management Workshop
    - Global Climate Change Conference
    - NH Wetland Conference
- Assisted the Israel River Volunteer Advisory Group by:
    - Acting as fiscal agent for one grant through the Connecticut Rivers Joint Commissions and one through the Upper Connecticut Mitigation and Enhancement Fund.
    - Providing volunteers for sampling. In addition to the standard parameters the Advisory Group sampled for Chloride, Phosphorus and E Coli.
    - Helping with the installation of 12 temperature data loggers in the watershed in cooperation with DES and NHFG
    - Providing volunteers to assist with the Stagg Hollow Brook watershed assessment as funded by the aforementioned UCMEF grant

- Reviewed and provided assistance with DES wetlands permitting processes
- Responded to requests for assistance from other area Conservation Commissions
- Responded to questions and concerns from area residents concerning a number of conservation related issues (wetlands, wind power, erosion, conservation easement clarification, etc.)

Please feel free to get in touch with anyone from the Conservation Commission if you have any questions.

DAVE GOVATSKI, Chairman

BOB BALL, BILL FISCHANG, JEANNE LEONE,
CHARLES MULLER, JUSTIN PREISENDORFER
Commission Members

MARJORIE DOAN, WINNIE WARD
Commission Alternate Members

ANDROSCOGGIN VALLEY REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL DISTRICT
2007 ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

The AVRRDD 2007 Budget apportionment for our member municipalities totaled $641,490. A surplus of $480,068.46 from the 2006 budget was used to reduce apportionments with a net budget of $161,421.54 being billed to the member municipalities. The proportionate share of the credit for the Town of Jefferson was $16,455.34, reducing your gross apportionment of $18,127.20 to $1,671.86. Preliminary reconciliation of the 2007 budget shows a surplus of approximately $297,991.85 being available to credit toward 2008 apportionments.

Our Materials Recycling Facility marketed a total of 1,662.76 tons of recyclables for the period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007, representing $123,088.38 of marketing income to the District.

For calendar year 2007, our Transfer Station received 2,836 deliveries from District residents for a total of 762.78 tons of bulky waste and construction and demolition debris. In addition, our 212 commercial accounts delivered 362.41 tons of bulky waste and construction and demolition debris and 1,087.45 tons of wood. Recycling at the Transfer Station consisted of 1,866.51 tons of wood that was processed through a grinder; 191.17 tons of scrap metal, 270.18 tons of leaf and yard waste and 34.09 tons of brush which was chipped with the District owned chipper. In addition, 405 refrigerators/air conditioners; 596 propane tanks; 4,923 tires; 14,808 feet of fluorescent bulbs; and 794 pounds of ballasts were recycled. We also received 2,295 gallons of waste oil from our residents which was used in our waste oil furnace to heat the recycling center. Transfer Station recycling income totaled $30,943.87. The Recycling Center and Transfer Station are operated, under contract with the District, by FERCO Recycling, Inc. of Berlin.

In January 2007, our Chairman for the past 15 years, Raymond Chagnon of Berlin and Earl Wadsworth of Dummer who served as Secretary-Treasurer for 12 years both resigned for health reasons. We sincerely thank Ray and Earl for their many years of dedicated service to the District and its residents.

Election of officers was held at the District Annual Meeting in April 2007: Linda Cushman of Jefferson was elected Chairman; Yves Zornio of Gorham was elected Vice Chairman and Clara Grover of Errol was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. Other District Representatives are: Raymond Holt of Dummer, David Tomlinson of Randolph, Richard Lafleur of Berlin, Paul Grenier for the Coos County Unincorporated Places, Lorna Aldrich of Northumberland, George Bennett of Stark and Eric Gagne of Milan.

In June, the District conducted its sixteenth annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. The collection was held at the District Transfer Station with 319 households participating. The project was funded through the District Household Hazardous Waste Fund with a $20,000 payment from the Mt. Carberry Landfill Budget. No assessment was made to the District communities. In addition, a grant from the State of New Hampshire reimbursed the District at fourteen cents ($.14) per capita. The next Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held Saturday, June 7, 2008 at the District Transfer Station.

2007 was the fifth year of operations for the AVRRDD-Mt. Carberry Landfill. Since purchasing the landfill in December 2002, no assessments have been made to the District municipalities for Mt. Carberry Landfill operations, with income raised through landfill tipping fees covering operating expenses. The landfill is operated, under contract with the District, by Cianbro Corp.

Respectfully submitted,
SHARON E. GAUTHIER
Executive Director

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL, INC.
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Bethlehem, NH

I would like to thank all of you for your support of the North Country Council (NCC) this past year. We have made a number of positive changes and completed a number of projects throughout the region. Once again, we reaffirmed the Council's commitment to serve community and regional needs.

During the past year, we have continued to deliver planning services throughout the region as you will see in the enclosed report. We have and will continue to adjust our capacities to respond to the needs of the communities, which will be evident in the programs being introduced in the coming years. Our strong relationship with the Department of Commerce and the Economic Development Administration (EDA) continues and has brought funding and project development into the region. The Sustainable Economic Initiative and the Coos Economic Adjustment Strategy continue to be major programs funded by EDA. Our Community Outreach program, targeted at helping our planning boards in the difficult tasks of managing the planning activities in their communities, is ongoing. NCC has been awarded an additional grant from EPA for Brownfield's assessments and will be looking for sites and communities where these assessments can be utilized. These programs as well as all the traditional programs in master planning, solid waste management, grant writing, natural resource planning, hazardous mitigation planning and transportation planning will continue to be the focus of North Country Council. If you would like further information on any of these programs, please do not hesitate to call us.

Please take the time to look over this annual report and give us some feedback as to where you think the Council could improve and how we might better serve our communities.

Again, thank you for all of your support of the Council. The Council is here to serve you and to be of service to your community. It is your organization. Our Staff and Board are committed to responding to community need. If there is a project or a need in your town, please call us. We are dedicated to both supporting our individual towns and promoting regional unity in the North Country.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL KING
Executive Director

REPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT ONE BY RAY BURTON, COUNCILOR DISTRICT ONE

It is a pleasure to serve this large northern district of 98 towns, 4 cities, and 5 counties with a population of 247,000 people. The Executive Council is at the top of your Executive Branch of NH State Government. The Governor and Executive Council appoint 352 Commissions and Directors who administer NH law and budget as prescribed by the NH House and Senate.

2008 is the year to keep an eye on and follow the progress of the NH Transportation Plan. The recommended projects in the highway and bridge plan can be accomplished with existing revenue from the state gasoline tax, bonds and matching federal funds. The Executive Council held public hearings on the projects throughout the state and forwarded their recommendations to Governor Lynch. Governor Lynch will review our recommendations and then submit his recommended plan to the NH House and senate by January 15th, 2008. Without any new revenues for additional projects we will be lucky to maintain the existing state highway and bridge system. If more work is desired than new revenues will have to be voted by the Members of the House and Senate and signed by the Governor. Contact your local legislators - House and Senate. Find them by going to www.nh.gov.

This large northern district needs more people on state mandated volunteer boards and commissions. Send your letter of interest and resume to my office, or to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council, Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301. Tel. (603) 271-2121. To find out what openings are available and to see a list of boards, visit the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index/htm.

I have available from my office informational items about the NH Executive Council, NH Constitution, NH Tourist Map, 2007 Consumer Handbook, and District Maps. If you would like to receive my Monday morning report by e-mail please send an e-mail address to rburton@nh.gov.

It is an honor to continue to serve you in my now 30 years as a public servant. Contact my office anytime about your ideas, concerns and problems with state government. I respond to all inquiries and challenges.

Sincerely,
RAY BURTON

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

30 Exchange Street - Berlin, NH • 73 Main Street - Lancaster, NH

February 11, 2008

Tri-County Community Action is requesting $900.00 in funding from the Town of Jefferson to help support its Community Contact Program. Community Contact is the field services arm of the Tri-County CAP. Our purpose is to assist low-income, elderly and handicapped persons to solve problems and meet their physical and financial needs. We accomplish this by providing information, counseling, referrals, budget counseling, guidance and organizational assistance and by effectively linking households with CAP assistance programs and using community resources.

Below is a breakdown of assistance that the CAP Community Contact office provided to Jefferson residents over the last year:

	HOUSEHOLDS	DOLLAR AMOUNTS
Fuel Assistance 2007	40	$23,642.64
Weatherization 2006-2007	4	10,327.00
Food Pantry (Average 10 households @ month over the program year)	0	
Electric Assistance 2007	19	8,208.00
TOTAL	121	**$42,177.64**

Community Contact provides necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in our communities, who would otherwise have to seek help from the town. We are depending upon funding from your town and neighboring communities countywide. The local funds are combined with the Community Services Block Grant, Fuel Assistance and NH Emergency Shelter Grant, Homeless Program and FEMA. We also are the conduit through which the USDA Surplus food gets distributed to food pantries, including our own, throughout Coos County in order to serve our residents.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 788-4477.

Sincerely,

AMY ZANES
Lancaster Community
Contact Manager

NORTH COUNTRY ELDER PROGRAMS

Senior Meals/Senior Centers
Alzheimer's Health Care Services
ServiceLink
TriCounty Community Action Program, Inc.

On behalf of North Country Elder Programs, I would like to respectfully request funding in the amount of $475.00 for the Senior Meals Program to be included in the upcoming Town of Jefferson budget process.

During the time period of July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 (Fiscal Year 2007) we served Jefferson residents a total of 2,927 home delivered meals. The Senior Meals Program in Fiscal Year 2007 was able to prepare and serve 143,549 meals county-wide to senior citizens in need of nutritional assistance.

As evidenced in the figures above, the current need of hot, nutritious meals to the frail and home-bound is paramount and is likely to be amplified as the population continues to age and require nutritional assistance that is offered by the Senior Meals Program.

The Town of Jefferson's past support for this community-based program has been greatly appreciated and we welcome your questions and comments pertaining to this request for funding. Please call our administrative offices at 752-3010, Monday through Friday, and we'd be glad to speak with you.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,
PATRICIA STOLTE, Director
North Country Elder Programs

JEFFERSON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Capital Improvement Plan

The Jefferson Athletic Association had another busy year improving the athletic facilities for our residents. The new ball fields have been seeded and will be ready to be used as practice fields this season. We still need to complete the infield, the backstop and dugouts. After several years of volunteer efforts, it will be exciting to see kids playing ball on the new field. We thank you for your support of our facilities improvement projects with the Athletic Association Trust Fund. The Athletic Trust Fund has a balance of $5,883.97 as of 12/31/2007.

Community Programs

July 4th was a rainy evening, which kept the numbers down for those attending our annual fireworks display, but the brave souls that made it out enjoyed another spectacular show. This year the fireworks will be held on Friday evening July 4th at dark - so mark your calendars for another great display.

Our programs for the children of our community had great participation this year. We fielded two baseball teams and one softball team with nearly 40 Jefferson children participating. Soccer was held for the younger grades in Jefferson with the older elementary students participating in Colonel Town programs coached by JAA members. There were over 30 students participating in the Cannon Mountain Ski program. Once again the school has hosted a basketball program with 25+ participants.

Jefferson Athletic Association Checking Account (which is used for minor facility improvements and youth sports)

Starting Balance Jan. 2007	$3,101.43
Income	2,518.95
Expenses	1,919.68
Ending Balance December 2007	$3,700.70

The Jefferson Athletic Association appreciates the community support we receive and will continue to strive to provide numerous recreational programs for all of our residents. We are always looking for volunteers so if you have an interest in recreation and a little bit of time - we'd love to hear from you. Thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

JASON CALL

CATHY CONWAY

Athletic Trust Fund - 2007 Activity

Balance 1/1/07			$4,697.47
Additions:			
Town Meeting Appropriation		$10,000.00	
Interest on Account		317.58	
Payments: (all for new field)			
R. Corrigan Trucking	$6,856.48		
Pike Industries	1,329.60		
Lancaster Floral	945.00		
Total		9,131.08	
Net Increase			1,186.50
Balance 12/31/07			$5,883.97

MOUNT WASHINGTON REGIONAL AIRPORT

Airport Road, Whitefield, NH 03598

January 2008

Dear North Country Neighbors,

This past year, 2007, was a very busy one for the Mount Washington Regional Airport. Despite very high prices for aviation fuel (nearly $5.00 a gallon), we still saw an increase in visitors over last year. Fuel sales–the primary source of revenue and a key financial indicator–were up slightly.

We experienced a marked increase in "business class" aircraft traffic–slightly more than 200 operations, which was nearly double the number in 2006. A majority of these flights brought folks to the two grand hotels. But a significant number of business travelers also came to the region for other reasons–primarily related to real estate development and local manufacturing operations. Of course, in advance of the 2008 primaries, we also saw significant traffic from Presidential candidates and their staff.

The work our all-volunteer airport leadership has taken on over the past several years and the work we've done to bring jobs and development to the region are the foundation for our recent successes. That foundation is strengthened by the support we receive from our communities–financially and otherwise.

We were able to give back a little to your residents this year. This summer, for instance, we hosted an airport day–free food, a chance for our neighbors to learn more about the airport and, best of all, free airplane rides. More than 100 of you stopped by; we were glad to meet you all–from the youngest to the most seasoned.

Later in the summer, we treated many of you to a spectacular display of skydiving excitement. Our friends from the east–Maine, to be specific–returned to Mount Washington Regional Airport for a day of plane jumping and a little aero-acrobatics, you might call it, capped off by a trip to one of our local hotels for some après-jump socialization.

We continue to host the local chapter of the Civil Air Patrol, which works with area youth to introduce them to aviation and to train them to be an important part of our disaster response network in the North Country.

The airport also introduced more people to the region through fly-ins held during the summer. We continue to get rave reviews from our visitors, who heap praise on both the airport itself and our volunteer-built terminal, as well as the beauty and friendliness of our local communities. That's you! Thanks.

This past fall, we broke ground on a project to develop a parallel taxiway at the airport, which will provide a significant level of added safety for aircraft on the ground. Studies are also underway for design of a precision instrument landing system that will make the airport one of just a few in northern New England to have such a system. This system will, like other projects we've undertaken in the past several years, provide a significant safety margin for all aircraft landing at our airport in bad weather conditions.

We are proud to have kept our neighbor-town contribution rate flat again this year. In spite of higher costs, our efforts to boost revenue through fuel sales, user fees and dedicated volunteer involvement–by pilots and non-pilots, alike–have allowed us to continue building this important part of our transportation infrastructure in a frugal and responsible manner.

We look forward to continuing to grow the airport and make it even safer in the years to come. We welcome volunteer involvement and are eager to hear how we can continue to serve you–and even improve that service.

I sincerely thank you for your trust and support. Together, we can work to build a stronger, more vibrant and more accessible North Country in 2008 and beyond.

Respectfully yours,

DAVID WILLIS, Chairman

WEEKS MEDICAL CENTER

Member of DARTMOUTH-HITCHCOCK ALLIANCE

Home Health & Hospice Services

Annual Report - 2007

Town of Jefferson

Beverlee Richter, Home Health and Hospice Nurse, shares a tender moment with a hospice patient.

Weeks Medical Center-Home Health and Hospice is grateful for the opportunity to serve the residents of Jefferson and greatly appreciates your continued support and confidence. Town funding is critically important and is used to assist families and individuals who are unable to pay for Home Health and Hospice Services and to support care where funding does not cover direct costs.

Our Home Health and Hospice Services continue to provide Jefferson residents with a wide range of services. Weeks Home Health and Hospice provides continuity of health care from the hospital to patients' homes. Services include skilled nursing; physical, occupational and speech therapies; licensed home health aides; homemakers; medical social services; intravenous therapies and care to the terminally ill.

Our Medicare Certified Hospice program continues to provide excellent palliative care to the terminally ill. Weeks Hospice is a special kind of holistic care . . . focusing on the emotional and spiritual needs of the family, as well as the physical needs of the patient at the end of life. No one is refused care based on an inability to pay. Over the last year, an increasing number of hospice patients received care, support and love from our nurses, aides and volunteers. To celebrate their memory, a luminary service was held and many residents from area towns were in attendance.

Thank you for your continuing support and confidence.

CALEB INTERFAITH VOLUNTEER CAREGIVERS

38 King's Square, Suite 9
Whitefield, NH 03598

The Caleb Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, a not-for-profit organization, which was established in October of 1995, continues to provide services to older adults in 8 northern New Hampshire communities. Caleb's heartfelt mission is to enhance independent living for the elderly, infirm and homebound by relieving isolation and assisting with friendly visits, care and supportive services through a network of volunteers and the fostering of caring communities.

In 2007, Caleb Caregivers assisted 296 Bethlehem, Dalton, Groveton, Jefferson, Lancaster, Littleton, Twin Mountain and Whitefield seniors. Over $50,724.05 worth of services were provided **FREE** to our clients. Caleb's 88 active volunteers donated over 2,703 hours and drove over 26,182 miles to help their older neighbors remain independent! Without these dedicated volunteers, Caleb would not exist. These volunteers give their time, their talents and most of all their hearts. Transportation to medical appointments, and for running errands, is one of the most requested services through Caleb. Caleb Volunteers made 803 trips this year. Of these trips 82 were long distance, taking seniors to Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, North Conway, Manchester, Concord, White River Junction, and St. Johnsbury, to name a few. It costs $2.00 per mile to take a ride in a local taxicab, and Caleb's rides are provided **free of charge**.

Transportation is only **one** of the services that Caleb volunteers provide. Caleb volunteers provide other services as well; friendly visiting, telephone reassurance, help with chores, paperwork and light housekeeping are to name a few. Caleb volunteers also assist with various community programs, such as the Commodity Supplemental Food Program. This State program is available, every other month, to New Hampshire seniors that are 60+, and that financially qualify. Caleb volunteers help distribute this food to seniors, who are totally homebound. Caleb continues to work with various pet organizations, regarding Caleb's Pet Food Project. Since this project began, in October of 2002, Caleb has given out over **20** tons of **FREE** pet food/litter to help seniors feed their pets! Not only has Caleb assisted various community programs, Caleb has also partnered with various organizations such as AARP, FIA (Faith In Action) and Service Link. These partnerships enable Caleb to better serve its seniors. Last but not least, Caleb still provides training for seniors who want to learn how to use computers. Without the various services that Caleb provides, many older adults who need just a little extra help to continue living independently might have had to go into a nursing home. The average cost of nursing home care is $185.00 per day.

There are no fees for the services that are provided by the Caleb Caregivers. The program is funded through grants, fundraisers, donations and generous appropriations of the towns in which the services are provided. We want to thank the residents of Jefferson for their support and for making it possible for us to continue to provide these much needed services to the area's elders. The $1,650

appropriated at last year's Town Meeting was greatly appreciated, and we ask for your continued support in 2008.

Volunteers are always in great demand, so if you would like to become a volunteer, request a volunteer, or know someone who would benefit from our services, please call the Caleb Office at 837-9179, or contact anyone on the Board of Directors.

Neighbors helping neighbors, is what Caleb is all about, and it is what North Country residents are all about, too!

Respectfully submitted,

BOBBIE GAUDES
Executive Director

Board of Directors

Carl Rod, President-Jefferson
Larry Berg, Vice-President -Whitefield
David Glover, Treasurer-Whitefield
Myra Emerson, Clerk-Lancaster
Marie Dubreuil-Jefferson
Rev. Virginia Alvarez-Lancaster

WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH AND COMMON GROUND

2007 Director's Report

As you sit on those folding chairs or bleachers at town meeting and listen to the warrant articles being discussed, you may wonder how the money you appropriate to White Mountain Mental Health/Common Ground is used in your town. This report is one means of informing you, the taxpayer, about what is done with this funding.

First, in general terms: the impact of your support is seen in children who become more successful in school and better prepared for adulthood, in adults who resume functioning as employees and parents, in elders who are able to stay independent and productive and in families with a developmentally disabled member who are able to move forward with their own lives, knowing that there is support outside of the family circle for their loved one. People who receive life-saving medical services are eager to tell their friends and family about the success of their care. You have seen "cards of thanks" in the local papers, naming the physicians,nurses, family and friends who came to the aid of a grateful patient. These thanks are well deserved! But...have you ever seen a similar tribute to mental health, substance abuse or developmental disability professionals who saved a life by being available to intervene in a life-threatening crisis of a different type? Chances are that your family member or neighbor will not advertise the fact that they have needed and used our services; life's challenges are often kept private. Having diabetes is much more acceptable than having schizophrenia, although both are chronic illnesses that can be managed through treatment, lifestyle education and support. We still struggle with the stigma attached to both behavioral health and developmental disability, but who among us has not been impacted by one or both?

Support for our services is an investment in the health and productivity of our town. In the North Country, unlike many parts of the State and Country, services continue to be available to ALL residents, not just those who can pay or those with a severe, biologic mental illness. This is because our towns and other supporters have recognized that unaddressed mental health and developmental issues have a tremendous negative "ripple effect" on the family, the economy and the whole community.

Although it is impossible to list all that we do, our core services include:

- 24 hour crisis intervention and assessment service for mental health emergencies
- Individual, marriage and family counseling, offered by highly trained mental health professionals with a variety of specialties
- Medication consultations to local physicians by Board certified psychiatrists
- "Full-life" supports for persons with serious and persistent mental illness, including housing, vocational and case management services

- Individualized home placements for more than fifty persons with developmental disabilities
- Life-enriching jobs and social connections for people with mental illness and developmental disabilities
- Substance abuse prevention and treatment by our staff of licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors

Service Statistics Highlights:

- In 2007, 25 residents of the town of Jefferson received 166¾ hours of outpatient mental health or substance abuse treatment services at a discounted rate. Our ability to continue to offer these services on a sliding-fee scale is dependent upon the support of our communities.
- 100 families in our area received extensive assistance in supporting a person with a developmental disability. In many cases, the supports include "full-life" around the clock services.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

JANE C. MacKAY, LICSW
Area Director

NEVERS-TOWN OF JEFFERSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship was established in 1981 by the family of Wilbur and Gurda Nevers in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. It is available to any Jefferson high school senior wishing to advance in higher education in any field. Any student wishing to apply for the scholarship may request an application from the Guidance Department at the White Mountains Regional High School.

The Scholarship Committee consists of the three Library Trustees, the Librarian, and the Town Clerk. This year scholarships were awarded to Ashley Cormier, who plans to attend the University of New Hampshire; Chelsie Hatfield, who will be studying for a nursing degree; Spencer Rothluebber, who will be studying Professional Golf Management; and Timothy Williams who plans to seek a degree in Media.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Nevers family and to all who have contributed to their scholarship fund. Donations to the fund may be sent to the Nevers-Town of Jefferson Scholarship Fund in care of the Trustee of Trust Funds, Town of Jefferson, New Hampshire.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE COSTA, Library Trustee Chairman
DARCIE CALL, Library Trustee
DEBORAH DUBOIS, Library Trustee
SUZANNE CRAFTON, Librarian
POLLY BRONSON, Town Clerk

ENMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

2007 was the twenty-fourth year for the Scholarship honoring the late Charles and Dorothy Enman who were both active and highly regarded in the Jefferson Elementary School. The fund was able to provide scholarships to Adam Friend, Elizabeth Kenison, and Eric Larcomb this year, and Jennifer Gray in 2006.

Any Senior who is a resident of Jefferson attending either high school or private school, regardless of location and planning on continuing his or her education is eligible to apply for this scholarship.

I would like to again thank all who have donated to the fund.

Donations may be made by taking or sending checks to Marietta Ingerson. Checks should be made payable to the Charles Enman Scholarship Fund.

The Jefferson Library Trustees choose the scholarship recipients.

Sincerely,

MARIETTA INGERSON

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF JEFFERSON, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

Child's Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Ciara Michelle Robinson	01-10-2007	Lancaster, NH	Roy Robinson	Josee Robinson
Josephine Avery Farias	03-06-2007	Littleton, NH	Keith Farias	Brandy Farias
Jada Marie Ingerson	04-04-2007	Lancaster, NH	Fredrick Ingerson	Jennifer Ingerson
Briar Edward Scott Corrigan	04-12-2007	Lancaster, NH	Timothy Corrigan	Ann Corrigan
Isabelle Anni Todd	05-12-2007	Lancaster, NH	Kenneth Todd	Lisa Todd
Ethan Sean Renes	06-28-2007	Lancaster, NH	Sean Renes	Christine Renes
Alexis Madelyn Hicks	08-09-2007	Lancaster, NH	Benjamin Hicks	Erica Hicks

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF JEFFERSON, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Marquerite Ayling	01-03-2007	Lancaster, NH	James Scanlan	Mary Quirk
Woodrow Rogers	02-12-2007	Jefferson, NH	John Rogers	Edith Parsons
Lois Spotholz	02-15-2007	Jefferson, NH	Alfred Williston	Mildred Evans
Linda Lavigne	04-26-2007	Jefferson, NH	Carroll Eno	Marjorie Seaver
Karen Pelchat	07-21-2007	Lebanon, NH	Robert Corrigan	Louise Saucier
John Ayer, Jr.	07-31-2007	Lebanon, NH	John Ayer, Sr.	Cassanna Frost
Alice Pearse	10-24-2007	Lancaster, NH	Peter Shevchuk	Helen Pasternak
James Brady, Sr.	11-25-2007	Lancaster, NH	Wilbrod Brady	Adele Dumont

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF JEFFERSON, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
Edward P. Stanley	Jefferson, NH	Ashleigh E. Perras	Jefferson, NH	Lancaster, NH	05-12-2007
Timothy F. Hebert	Jefferson, NH	Jessica C. Foster	Jefferson, NH	Jefferson, NH	07-14-2007
Yvan L. Guay	Groveton, NH	Debra A. Marshall	Jefferson, NH	Jefferson, NH	07-28-2007
Mark B. Dubois	Jefferson, NH	Stacey L. Tetreault	Groveton, NH	Lancaster, NH	07-28-2007
Lance A. Lalumiere	Jefferson, NH	Kelly G. Lambert	Jefferson, NH	Berlin, NH	08-20-2007
James A. Glidden	Jefferson, NH	Kathy Gilman	Bethlehem, NH	Bethlehem, NH	12-31-2007

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